

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

S. 337

To prohibit the importation of ruminants and swine, and fresh and frozen meat and products of ruminants and swine, from Argentina until the Secretary of Agriculture certifies to Congress that every region of Argentina is free of foot and mouth disease without vaccination.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JANUARY 28, 2009

Mr. JOHNSON (for himself, Mr. ENZI, Mr. TESTER, Mr. THUNE, Mrs. McCASKILL, Mr. DORGAN, Mr. NELSON of Nebraska, Mr. BARRASSO, and Mr. CONRAD) introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Foot and Mouth Dis-
5 ease Prevention Act of 2009”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON IMPORTATION OF ARGENTINE**
2 **RUMINANTS AND SWINE UNTIL ARGENTINA**
3 **IS FREE OF FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE**
4 **WITHOUT VACCINATION.**

5 The Secretary of Agriculture shall prohibit the impor-
6 tation into the United States of any ruminant or swine,
7 or any fresh (including chilled or frozen) meat or fresh
8 (including chilled or frozen) product of any ruminant or
9 swine, that is born, raised, or slaughtered in Argentina
10 until the Secretary certifies to Congress that every region
11 of Argentina is free of foot and mouth disease without vac-
12 cination.

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